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A method for enhancing

~~2.1.~~ The problems posed by data security when chip cards are used for payment transactions ^{*and*} ~~are encountered when~~ input data are loaded into an algorithm when performing an authentication.

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~~2.2.~~ The security of the debit and credit data is enhanced by subdividing the data blocks and by switching an additional feedback on and off following the downstream counters at preselected ^{*clock pulse times*} ~~times (clock pulses).~~

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~~2.3.~~ The ~~invention~~ is applicable to all authentication processes in conjunction with chip cards.